Tista Project

814. SHRI CH1TTA BASU: Win the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been. Jong time overrun and huge cost escalation of the, Tista Project; and

(b),,if so, the. reasons therefor?

. THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI "B. SHANKARAN-AND; (a) and (b) The main reasons are:

- (j) taking up of new works during (the course of implementation of. the project; and .

(ii) non-availability of adequate funds and consequent prolongation of the construction period resulting in cost. escalation*.

Sugar production

815. SHBI SHANTI TYAGI. Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated production of,, sugar in the country. by the end 'of Marcjjf 1987;

(b) the production *hi* sugar in. the; country for the corresponding period last year;

(c) whether Government propose to increase the quantity of sugar per unit' t_0 be distributed through P. D. S. in ' the rural areas; and ,

(el) whellher Government! propose to fix up a sugar quota for domestic' consumption to the sugarcane supp liers on the basis of their yearly total supply of sugarcane ' to the sugar[1] mills?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD): (a) and (by The esti. A mated production of sugar in the coun-,,. try upto 31st March, 1987 during the current 1986-87 season aggregated to 66. 92 lakh tonnes as against 59. 96 lakh tonnes on the corresponding date last year,

(c) The State Governments/Union Territories are allotted levy sugar fluota, generally on, the basis of 425 grams P?r month per capita for the projected population as on 1-10-1986. The pattern of allocation to the Public Distribution. System within the State is decided by the State Governments themselves with, reference to local requirements and circumstances, on the basis of norms fixed by them.

(d, v Under the present policy of par-tial control, levy sugar quota isallot, ted to each State Government/Union Territory for distribution ampng *]* the entire population which includes the cane growers

Abolition of post

816. SHRI K. VASUDEVA' PANI-CKER WU1 the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a), whether it is a fact that the Indian" Council of Agricultural, Research Aad recently abolished a large number of, posts in its all India Coordinated. Projects for various crops;

. (b) if. so, what. are the details thereof and the reasons theref

(c) whether this step, of the ICAR is likely to lead to dislocation and in some cases even unemployment, of hundreds of agricultural scientists and supporting staff; and

(d) so so, the number of person* likely to beV unemployed as a result thereof and what remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRli YOGENDRA MAKWANA); (a) and| (b) Details of some of the posts abo lighed/readjusted and the reasons therefor together with new positions

created in, VII Plan are given in the attached statement. *[See* Appendix CXI. II, Annexurfe No. 47].

(c.) It is not likely to affect the ongoing research pfj^amrhe due to the fact that the staff, has been provided based on the new research priorities! identified for VII Plan..

(d) There may not be any unemployment, problem since. a number of new posts, have been created as could foe seen, from-the Annexure. There are also a large number of vacancies in the Agricultural. Universities against which they may be adjusted and the Vice-Chancellors have been requested to do so, Further, Indian Council of Agricultural Research has been allow-ing the Universities to continue some positions which-they found difficult, to adjust

Assistance to the allottess of surplus land

817. SHRI SHANTI -TYAG}: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the area of land-deriared surplus in the country during the year 1986 and whether it has, been distr-buted to the landless. and weaker sections of the society; and

(p) what assistance Government ha«/e provided to the allottees of the surplus land to start cultivation there on?.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINI STRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA),: (a) Dur. ing 1986 an additional area of 3. 42 lakh a0res has! been declared surplus and if additional area of* 1. 36 lakh acfes has been distributed to eligible . beneficiaries.

(b) Under the 'Centrally Sponsored Scheme of financial: assistance to the assignees of ceiling surplus land, an amount of Rs, 2, 500 per hectare is provided to beneficiaries for various pbrposes like simple land develop ment provision of inputs as well as immediate consumption. needs. An amount of Rs. 412. 25. lakhs. has • been released to the States during 1986-87 under this Scheme. Besides,. the bene-ficiaries of surplus ceiling. " land are also eligible to receive assistance - under various rural development Programmes like TRDP NREP, RLEGP etc.

Draft plan National' Capital Regfei

818. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:,

Will the Minister of URBAN "DEVE-. LOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a, v whether the broad outlines of the National Capital Region, plan have since been worked out if. so, what are the details thereof together with the estimated expenditure involved; and

(b) by when the NCR-draft plan is expected to be ready and, the progress made in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOP-MENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes,. Sir. The N. C. R. Planning Board formulated an Interim Development Plan 2001, -for the harmoniseli development of the: Natiorial Capital Region, which has identified 8 towns complexes for priority: development in the Region. The towns/complexes are Meerut, Hapur,. Bulandshafrr-Khurja, Panipat,. Rohtak, palwal, Rewari-Bhi-wadi-Dharuhera and Alwar. The devee Iopment proposals include *inter-alia* .. provision/upgradation of infrastruc-tural facilities. The IDP contains ' a ppckage of policy measures in. respect of Delhi, DMA towns and the rest of the region, for achieving the NCR objective. This includes decelerated growth in the Delhi UT, moderate growth in the DMA and induced , growth in the identified towns in the region. The tenfative cost of the pro-pro-posals in the TDP, excluding that of power (sector, has been estimated at Rs. 304l, crores at 1985 prices.